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SUBJECT: 102ND UNESCO EXECUTIVE BOARD: REPORT ON
ITEM 5.5.1: DRAFT STATUTES OF THE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE GENERAL INFORMATION
PROGRAM

1. THIS ITEM EVOKED CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION PARTICULARLY ON THE QUESTION OF THE DG'S CONTROL OF THE COMMITTEE AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE. SEVERAL AMENDMENTS WERE INTRODUCED, TO THE CONSTERNATION OF THE SECRETARIAT.

2. BELGIUM, SUPPORTED BY US AND FRG, PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 4, PARA 2, REQUIRING THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT, COMPOSITION, AND TERMS OF REFERENCE OF SUBCOMMITTEES BE SUBJECTED TO THE APPROVAL OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE. US PROPOSED CHANGE TO ARTICLE 10, PARA 1 PER STATE 5940. BRAZIL PROPOSED THAT CHAIRMAN BE AUTHORIZED TO CONVENE MEETINGS. FRG WANTED ARTICLE 1, PARA 2 REMOVED AND INCLUDED IN RESOLUTION.

3. SECRETARIAT (FOBES, KNAPP, LUSSIER) RESISTED
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VIGOROUSLY THE ATTEMPTS TO CHANGE THE STATUTES ON THE BASIS THAT THIS IS THE DG'S COMMITTEE AND THAT HE SHOULD CONTROL IT. THEY ALSO POINTED OUT THAT THE TWO COMMITTEES HAVE TOTALLY DIFFERENT ROLES AND SHOULD NOT BE MIXED UP. AT ONE POINT DDG FOBES STATED THAT IF THE DG'S CONTROL OF THE COMMITTEE IS WEAKENED, THEN IT MIGHT NOT BE WORTHWHILE ESTABLISHING IT.

4. WHEN BELGIUM INSISTED ON ITS AMENDMENT,
IT WAS PUT TO A VOTE AND FAILED 11-10 WITH 10 ABSTEN-
TIONS. BRAZIL'S AND FRG'S PROPOSALS WERE WITHDRAWN.
AN OBVIOUS LOSER IF PUT TO A VOTE, THE US PROPOSAL
WAS THEN ALSO WITHDRAWN IN RETURN FOR ASSURANCES BY
DDG FOBES THAT THE DG WOULD CONSULT THE CHAIRMAN
(WHICH IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 53 IN THE GENERAL
CLASSIFICATION OF MEETINGS) AND "EXAMINE THE
BROADEST POSSIBLE CONSULTATION" IN DRAWING UP THE
AGENDA. THE DRAFT STATUTES WERE THEN PASSED BY VOTE
OF 34-0-0.

5. IN CONFORMANCE WITH A DECISION MADE EARLIER IN THE
WEEK, THE WORD "INCAPACITY" WAS REMOVED FROM ARTICLE 3,
PARA 2.

6. DURING DISCUSSION, POLAND, HOME COUNTRY OF GIP
DIRECTOR WYSOCKI, MADE STATEMENT URGING THAT SPECIAL
ATTENTION BE GIVEN TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND FURTHERANCE
OF UNISIST.
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